

July 25, 2007

***This month, two items of importance:***

**Statements of Financial Interests Deadline Reminder**

The OSE would like to remind all those who filed a Statement of Financial Interests on or before May 1, 2007 that the Supplemental Statement is due by **August 1, 2007**. All filers must submit this additional form, even if the State is an individual's only employer. Remember also, that filers need to declare the employers of their spouses and/or dependents residing in the household.

[Click here](#) to download a paper form.

[Click here](#) to file online.

**Request for Input**

On July 19, 2007, the Citizen's Ethics Advisory Board (Board) met and, in the course of discussing a draft advisory opinion, decided input from state agencies would be extremely valuable to them.

*Specifically, the Board seeks your responses with respect to the following:*

In Advisory Opinion No. 89-25 (Amended), the former State Ethics Commission created a limited exception to the one-year ban, in General Statutes § 1-84b (b), on representing others before one's former state agency or department.

Under that exception, "a former state official or employee [may] have personal contact with his or her former agency within one year after leaving state service for the purpose of being reemployed (as either a state employee or an independent contractor) by that agency." The only caveat was "that the reemployment be at no greater pay level than the individual was receiving at the time of separation from state service, plus necessary expenses if the work is performed as an independent contractor."

The Board would like to know what, if any, impact the possible elimination of the above exception would have on the ability of state agencies to carry out essential functions.

Take advantage of this opportunity to comment by sending your thoughts to me at [Meredith.Trimble@ct.gov](mailto:Meredith.Trimble@ct.gov) by **Wednesday, August 8, 2007**.

I hope all of you are enjoying a wonderful summer! Please don't forget to call the OSE any time you have a question – we are here to serve.

Sincerely,

*Meredith Trimble*  
Director of Education  
Office of State Ethics  
860-566-4472 x425

[www.ct.gov/ethics](http://www.ct.gov/ethics)